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Borough



of Blyth



ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
INCORPORATING THAT OF THE  
SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR  
FOR THE YEAR  
1970.

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Public Health Dept.  
"Dinsdale"  
Marine Terrace,  
Blyth,  
Northumberland.



# MEMBERS OF THE HEALTH COMMITTEE

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## STAFF OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT 1970

Medical Officer of Health	A. Donaldson, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.
Senior Public Health Inspector	G. A. Gill, C.S.I.B., M.A.P.H.I.
Additional Public Health Inspectors (2)	W. Allan, M.A.P.H.I.
Additional Public Health Inspector	H. Gilbert, M.A.P.H.I. Resigned 5.7.70.
Additional Public Health Inspector	B. N. Davis, M.A.P.H.I. Commenced 19.8.1970. Resigned 6.12.1970.
Technical Assistant <del>s</del>	G. Gibbons. Resigned 10.7.1970.
	I. Saunders. Commenced 10.8.1970.
Clerk	Mrs. V. Colpitts.
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	Miss S. Wray. Commenced 20.4.1970. Resigned 31.7.1970.
	Mrs. J. Snowden. Commenced 1.9.1970.
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B O R O U G H   O F   B L Y T H

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR 1970

Your Worship, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you the Annual Report of the Public Health and Sanitary Conditions in the Borough during the year 1970.

In broad terms the environmental conditions improve year by year. We see the demolition of unfit houses and the erection of modern dwellings. There are improved standards of working conditions in factories, shops and offices. Regular inspection of foodstuffs ensures a high standard of nutrition.

I have to report a halt in the downward trend in the population. The Registrar General's estimated population for 1970 for Blyth was 35,320 - an increase of 190 over 1969. The number of live births was 521 - a fall of 15 compared with 1969. The number of deaths was 413, a decrease of 43. The birth rate was 14.8 per 1,000 population (E. & W. 16.0). The number of infant deaths was 6, 2 more than last year. The infant mortality rate ~~was~~ 11.5 per 1,000 live births (E. & W. 18). The death rate was 11.6 per 1,000 population (E. & W. 11.7).

It is disappointing to have to report the continued notification of appreciable numbers of measles - 330 in all. This is due to the break in immunisation because of a failure of supplies of vaccine eighteen months ago. Whooping cough, too, rose to 34 cases. Many children had not been protected but some had had a full course and booster doses. This could cast doubts on the efficacy of the whooping cough vaccine.

I wish to thank the Chairman and members of the Health Committee for their interest and support and my colleagues in the other departments for their co-operation.


The Health Department staff have continued their unobtrusive work which, in the main, is taken for granted and goes almost unnoticed. I would like to thank them for their loyalty and support.

I remain,

Your Worship, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your Obedient Servant,

ALEXANDER DONALDSON,  
Medical Officer of Health.



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# STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA 1970

Area - No Change	... ..	Acreage -	6,487
Population - (Registrar General's Estimates)...			35,320
Rate Value - (1st April, 1970)	...		£959,717
Product of a Penny Rate	...		£ 3,910
Total Number of Dwellinghouses in Borough			11,798
1st April, 1970	...		

## EXTRACT FROM VITAL STATISTICS

Comparability Factor - Births 0.98    Deaths 1.26

	<u>1970</u>	<u>1969</u>
Total Live Births	521	536
Live Birth Rate per 1,000 Population (Uncorrected)	14.8	15.2
Live Birth Rate per 1,000 Population (Standardised)	14.4	14.8
Still Births	7.0	10
Still Birth Rate per 1,000 live and Still Births	13.4	18.3
Total Live and Still Births	528	546
Infant Deaths	6	4
Neo-Natal Deaths (under one month)	4	2
Infant Mortality Rate	11.5	7.4
Legitimate Infant Deaths per 1,000 Legitimate Live Births	11.5	8.1
Illegitimate Infant Deaths per 1,000 Illegitimate Live Births	Nil	Nil
Neo-Natal Mortality Rate	7.6	3.7
Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate (Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 Live Births)...	5.7	3.7
Deaths under one Week	3	2
Peri-Natal Mortality Rate (Still Births and Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 Live and Still Births)	18.9	21.9
Illegitimate Live Births	43	43
Illegitimate Live Births % of Total Births	8.4	8.0
Maternal Deaths	Nil	Nil
Maternal Mortality (Rate per 1,000 Live and Still Births)	Nil	Nil
Total Deaths	413	456
Crude Death Rate per 1,000 Home Population	11.6	12.9
Standardised Death Rate per 1,000 Home Population	14.6	16.2
Tuberculosis Death Rate per 1,000 Home Population	0.05	Nil
Pulmonary Tuberculosis Case Rate per 1,000 Home Population	2.9	3.2

Registrar General's Figures for England and Wales :

Birth Rate	16.0
Death Rate	11.7
Infant Mortality Rate	18.0







CAUSES OF DEATH 1970

Code No.	International Classification	Male	Female	Total
011	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	1	1	2
036	Meningococcal Meningitis	1	-	1
141	Malignant Neoplasm of Tongue	2	-	2
150	" " " Oesophagus	3	-	3
151	" " " Stomach	4	7	11
153	" " " Large Bowel	7	6	13
154	" " " Rectum	2	2	4
156	" " " Gall Bladder	1	-	1
157	" " " Pancreas	3	1	4
161	" " " Larynx	1	-	1
162	" " " Lung and Bronchus	29	4	33
172.9	" " " Skin (Melanoma)	1	-	1
174	" " " Breast	-	8	8
182	" " " Uterus	-	2	2
183	" " " Ovary	-	1	1
185	" " " Prostate	2	-	2
188	" " " Bladder	1	-	1
191	" " " Brain	1	3	4
197.8	" " " Liver	-	1	1
199	" " " Site Unspecified	2	1	3
203	Multiple Myeloma	-	1	1
205	Myeloid Leukaemia	2	2	4
250	Diabetes Mellitus	-	4	4
281	Pernicious Anaemia	-	1	1
288	Agranulocytosis	1	-	1
320.8	Streptococcal Meningitis	-	1	1
331	Huntington's Chorea	-	1	1
340	Multiple Sclerosis	-	2	2
342	Paralysis Agitans	1	1	2
C/F :		65	50	115



Code No	International Classification	Male	Female	Total
	B/F :	65	50	115
410	Acute Coronary Thrombosis	50	38	88
412	Chronic Ischaemic Heart Disease	5	1	6
424	Chronic Endocarditis	1	-	1
427	Congestive Heart Failure	8	10	18
427.1	Left Ventricular Failure	2	3	5
428	Myocardial Degeneration	14	15	29
430	Subarachnoid Haemorrhage	1	1	2
431	Cerebral Haemorrhage	13	14	27
433	Cerebral Embolism	12	13	25
440	Arteriosclerosis	1	3	4
450	Pulmonary Embolism	3	3	6
466	Acute Bronchitis	1	1	2
470	Influenza	1	-	1
471	Influenza with Pneumonia	1	1	2
481	Pneumococcal Pneumonia	1	2	3
485	Broncho Pneumonia	12	9	21
491	Chronic Bronchitis	21	4	25
493	Asthma	-	1	1
514	Hypostatic Pneumonia	-	1	1
515	Pneumoconiosis due to Silica	1	-	1
532	Duodenal Ulcer	1	-	1
560	Intussusception	1	-	1
567	Peritonitis	-	1	1
573	Chronic Liver Failure	-	1	1
580	Acute Nephritis	1	-	1
582	Chronic Nephritis	-	1	1
590	Chronic Pyelonephritis	-	1	1
740	Anencephalus	1	-	1
747.4	Congenital Anomaly of Great Veins	1	-	1
	C/F :	218	174	392



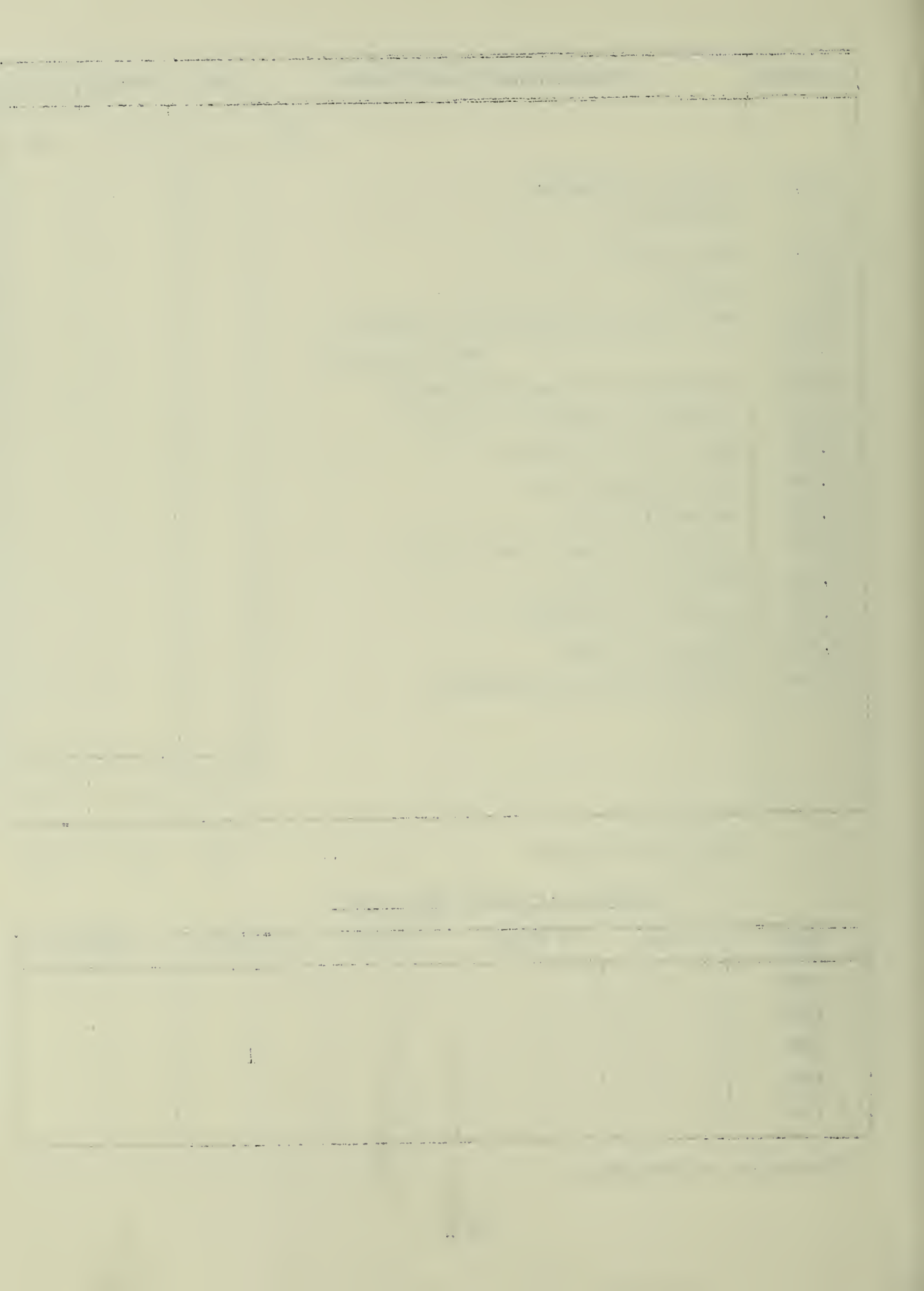
Code No	International Classification	Male	Female	Total
	B/F :	218	174	392
776.9	Asphyxia of Newborn	1	-	1
777	Prematurity	2	-	2
784.5	Haematemesis	-	1	1
792	Uraemia	2	-	2
E.812	Motor Traffic Accident (Two Vehicles)	1	-	1
E.814	" " " with Pedestrian	1	1	2
E.854	Accidental Barbiturate Poisoning	1	-	1
E.855	Accidental Triptizol Poisoning	1	-	1
E.865	Fatal Dose of Nicotine	1	-	1
E.885	Fall from same level	-	1	1
E.887	Unspecified Fall	-	2	2
E.911	Asphyxia by inhalation of vomit	1	1	2
E.953	Suicide by Hanging	1	-	1
E.954	Suicide by Drowning	1	-	1
N.803	Fracture of Skull	1	-	1
N.998	Postgastrectomy Malabsorption	-	1	1
		232	181	413

Deaths over 65 years ... .. 150 135 285

DEATHS (1-4 YEARS) 1966 - 1970

YEAR	1 YEAR	2 YEARS	3 YEARS	4 YEARS	TOTAL
1966	2	-	-	-	2
1967	-	-	-	-	-
1968	3	-	2	1	6
1969	-	-	2	-	2
* 1970	1	-	-	-	1

\* Death due to Meningitis



MONTHLY DEATHS, 1970

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
No. of Deaths	46	30	39	45	32	38	32	23	27	38	28	35

CAUSES OF INFANT DEATHS, 1970

No.	Cause	Sex	Age	Where Death Occurred
1	Atelectasis and Multiple Congenital Defects	M	1 Day	Hospital
2	Congenital Anomolies in Circulation	M	2 Weeks	Hospital
3	Anencephaly	M	1 Hour	Hospital
4	Prematurity	M	4 weeks	Hospital
5	Asphyxia. Regurgitated Vomit	F	5 Weeks	Home
6	Prematurity	M	30 Mins.	Hospital

PERINATAL DEATHS, 1966 - 1970

Year	Still Births	Deaths Under 1 Week	Perinatal Deaths (Still Births and Deaths under 1 Week)	Deaths Under 1 Month	Deaths under 1 Year
1966	11	6	17	8	12
1967	7	8	15	10	11
1968	9	6	15	7	11
1969	10	2	12	2	4
1970	7	3	10	4	6



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INFANT DEATHS AND INFANT MORTALITY RATES FOR THE YEARS

1962 - 1970

	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970
Infant Deaths	15	11	14	7	12	11	11	4	6
Infant Mortality Rates	23.8	16.6	22.1	10.4	21.0	20.5	21.3	7.4	11.5

MATERNAL DEATHS - NIL

BIRTHS, 1970

	Live Births		Still Births		Infant Deaths Under 4 Weeks		Infant Deaths Under 1 Year		
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Total	260	261	3	4	4	-	5	1	
Legitimate	240	238	3	4	4	-	5	1	
Illegitimate	20	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	
No. of Live Births	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970
	629	660	633	671	571	537	515	536	521
	361	413	383	371	388	403	402	456	413
	268	247	250	300	183	134	113	80	108

CANCER DEATHS

Type	1970		1969		1968		1967		1966	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
All Causes	61	39	45	35	42	43	43	28	53	39
	100		80		85		71		92	
Bronchogenic	30	4	18	5	9	4	16	4	20	6
Stomach	7	7	6	4	8	10	9	3	6	8
Intestine	13	9	9	5	12	6	6	7	4	7
Female Organs	-	11	-	8	-	15	-	10	-	8
Others	11	8	12	13	13	8	12	4	23	10



CANCER DEATHS 1970 - AGE AND DISTRIBUTION

MALES

FEMALES

Site of Disease	0-25	26-35	36-45	46-55	56-65	Over 65	TOTAL	0-25	26-35	36-45	46-55	56-65	Over 65	TOTAL
Tongue	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oesophagus	-	-	-	1	-	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stomach	-	-	-	-	2	2	4	-	-	1	-	2	4	7
Large Bowel	-	-	-	-	2	5	7	-	-	-	-	1	5	6
Rectum	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Gall Bladder	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pancreas	-	-	-	-	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Larynx	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lung and Bronchus	-	-	-	4	8	17	29	-	-	-	-	1	3	4
Skin	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Breast	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	3	8
Uterus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2
Ovary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Prostate	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bladder	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brain	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	3
Liver	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Unspecified	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Multiple Myeloma	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Myeloid Leukaemia	1	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	2
TOTALS:	1	-	-	5	18	37	61	1	-	3	5	8	22	39



ANNUAL RETURNS FOR 10 YEARS NOTIFIED CASES OF  
INFECTIOUS DISEASES

	Scarlet Fever	Diphtheria	Erysipelas	Meningococcal Infection	Dysentery	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Whooping Cough	Measles	-Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever	Malaria	Ac. Poliomyelitis (Paralytic)	is	Ac. Poliomyelitis (Non-Paralytic)	Ac. Encephalitis (Infectious)	Food Poisoning	Hepatitis
1961	1	-	1	-	2	-	30	3	3	733	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
1962	-	-	4	-	-	-	26	2	20	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
1963	3	-	3	-	3	-	13	2	96	929	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
1964	6	-	-	1	2	-	14	1	-	156	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1965	20	-	1	1	29	-	11	6	3	492	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1966	4	-	2	1	7	-	7	1	-	458	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-
1967	1	-	-	-	10	-	8	2	12	281	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1968	4	-	-	1	3	-	1	3	13	398	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	9
1969	2	-	-	1	2	-	3	-	-	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3
1970	3	-	-	1	-	-	8	-	34	330	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34

INFECTIOUS DISEASE - 1970

There were 410 cases of infectious disease notified during 1970; of these 330 were measles. I feel that the measles figure would have been greatly reduced had it been possible to continue the immunisation drive during 1969. Unfortunately, due to a break in the vaccine supply, this preventative measure was unable to be maintained. Supplies of the vaccine are now available and a vigorous plan for prevention is being pursued.

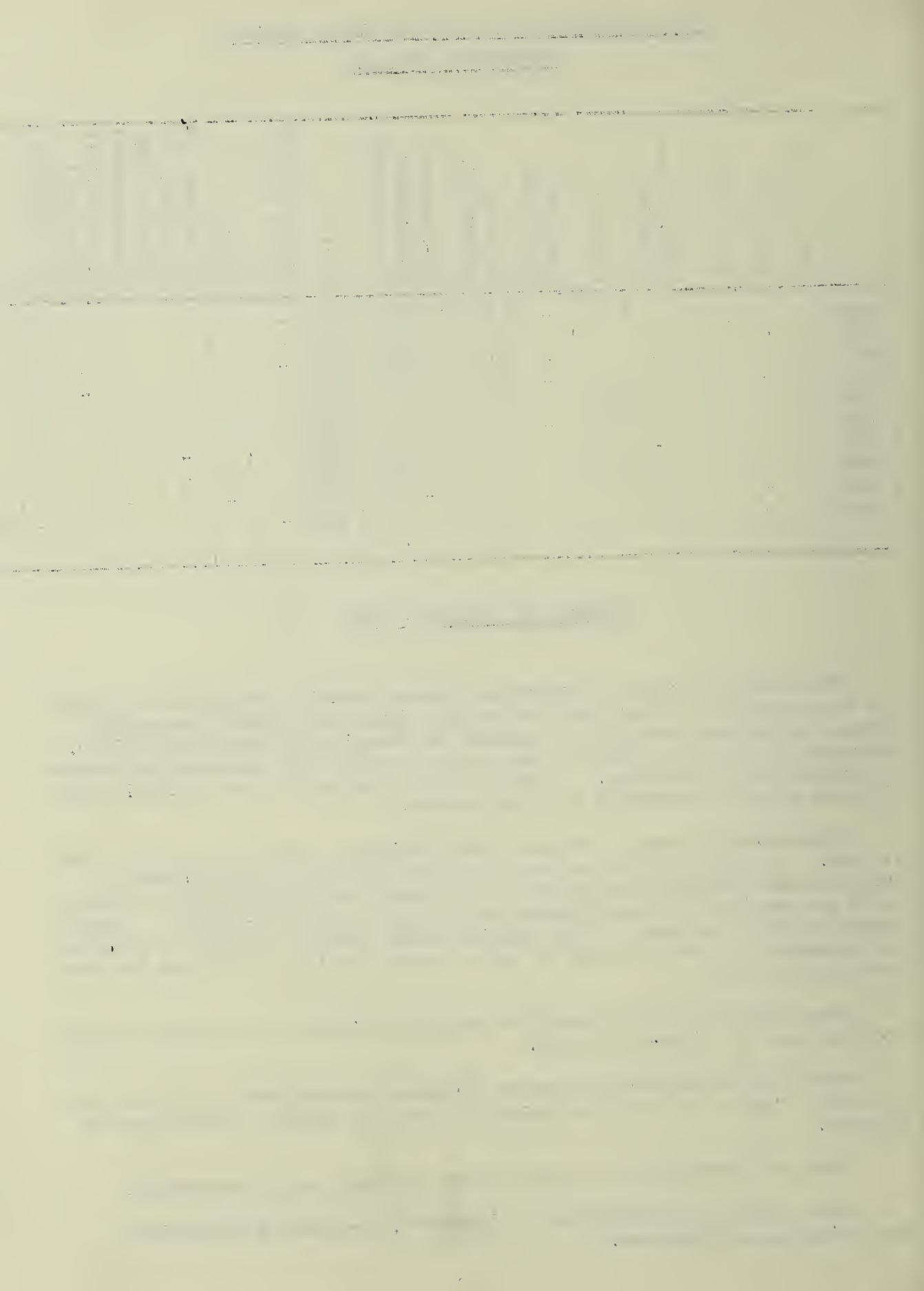
There were 34 cases of whooping cough notified, and this is 34 more than in 1969. Of these, 22 had no record of immunisation, 9 had completed a primary course of triple vaccination (diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus), and 3 had received a primary course and a booster dose, pre-school. I have doubts about the efficacy of the whooping cough vaccine. Of the 22 children not immunised, 11 were one year of age or under, and 11 were between two and seven years of age.

There were 34 cases of infective jaundice notified, in age groups ranging from one year to thirty-five years.

There were eight notifications of pulmonary tuberculosis, five more than in 1969. They all fell in age groups 46 years and above - four being over 65 years.

There were three cases of scarlet fever and one case of meningitis.

There were no cases notified of diphtheria, smallpox, poliomyelitis, food poisoning or dysentery.





NOTIFIABLE DISEASES, 1970 - AGE DISTRIBUTION

Disease	Under 1 Year	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Yrs.	5 Yrs.	6-10 Yrs.	11-15 Yrs.	16-25 Yrs.	26-35 Yrs.	36-45 Yrs.	46-55 Yrs.	56-65 Yrs.	Over 65 Years	Not Known	Total
Measles	15	41	16	19	56	56	53	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	330
Infective Jaundice	-	1	-	-	-	1	13	7	7	5	-	-	-	-	-	34
Whooping Cough	5	6	4	4	4	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Pulmonary Tubercu- losis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	4	-	8
Scarlet Fever	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Meningitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Totals:	20	48	51	62	60	63	72	10	8	6	-	3	1	4	1	410



TUBERCULOSIS REGISTER

	MALES		FEMALES		Totals
	Pulm.	Non-Pulm.	Pulm.	Non-Pulm.	Pulm. and Non-Pulmon.
No. of cases remaining on Register on 31st December 1969.	77	9	39	29	154
No. of cases remaining on Register on 31st December 1970.	72	8	33	29	142

TUBERCULOSIS 1961-1970

Year	Notifications			Number of T.B. Deaths per Year	Death Rate per 1,000 Population
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Total		
1961	30	3	33	2	0.06
1962	26	2	28	3	0.08
1963	13	2	15	1	0.02
1964	14	1	15	2	0.05
1965	11	6	17	1	0.02
1966	7	1	8	1	0.02
1967	8	2	10	Nil	Nil
1968	1	4	5	1	0.02
1969	3	-	3	Nil	Nil
1970	8	-	8	2	0.05

Pulmonary Tuberculosis Case Rate per 1,000 Population:-

<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>
10.2	7.6	6.9	6.2	5.2	4.6	4.5	3.4	3.2	2.9



TUBERCULOSIS, 1970

Age Groups	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0 - 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6 - 10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11 - 15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16 - 20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21 - 25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
26 - 35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
36 - 40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
41 - 45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
46 - 50	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
51 - 55	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
56 - 60	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
61 - 65	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Over 65	4	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
TOTALS :	8	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	1	-	-
GRAND TOTALS:	8		Nil		2		Nil	



ANNUAL HEALTH REPORT, 1970

STATISTICS FOR THE BOROUGH OF BLYTH FOR THE TEN YEARS

1961 - 1970.

Year	Population	Deaths	Death Rate	Live Births	Birth Rate	Infant Deaths	Infant Death- Rate	Neo-Natal Death Rate
1961	35,970	341	9.4	602	16.7	13	21.5	18.2
1962	36,400	361	9.9	629	17.2	15	23.8	15.9
1963	36,440	413	11.3	660	18.1	11	16.6	13.6
1964	36,320	383	10.5	633	17.4	14	22.1	15.8
1965	36,320	371	10.2	671	18.4	7	8.9	8.9
1966	36,150	388	10.7	571	15.7	12	21.0	14.0
1967	36,120	403	11.1	537	14.8	11	21.3	18.6
1968	35,410	402	11.3	515	14.5	11	21	18.6
1969	35,130	456	12.9	536	15.2	4	7.4	3.7
1970	35,320	413	11.6	521	14.8	6	11.5	7.6





Your Worship, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my report on Environmental Hygiene for 1970, which I trust you will find of interest.

I am,

Your obedient servant,

G. A. GILL.      Cert. S.I.B.,  
M.A.P.H.I.

Senior Public Health Inspector.

HOUSING

SLUM CLEARANCE

Of the 700 dwellings scheduled as unfit in 1965 a total of 348 had been dealt with by the end of 1969, and a review was then made of dwellings to be included in a further Four Year Programme. Following the submission of a report to the Council in April 1970, dealing with procedure, acquisition and compensation provisions, an amended programme of 350 dwellings was submitted to the Minister, as requested by Circular 92/69.

Although no slum clearance areas were declared during the year, some 30 individual unfit houses were represented and a small clearance area containing 21 unfit houses was prepared for submission.

PROGRESS REPORT 1970

<u>Houses Demolished</u>		<u>Houses Closed</u>	<u>Parts of Buildings Closed</u>
<u>In Clearance</u>	<u>Not in Clearance</u>		
<u>Areas</u>	<u>Areas</u>		
6	46	14	25

Representations

30 dwellings or parts of buildings were the subject of representation as being unfit.

Operative Orders

The following Orders became operative :-

	<u>Houses</u>	<u>Persons</u>	<u>Families</u>
Sec. 17 Demolition (Including 10 houses subject of Closing Orders).	16	16	6
Sec. 17(1) Closing in lieu of demolition.	14	38	12
Sec. 18 Closing (parts of buildings).	12	28	11
	42	82	29



## FUTURE POLICY

The question of acquisition and method of redevelopment of previously cleared sites and unfit areas to be scheduled was under active consideration at the end of the year with discussions taking place between the County Planning Department and the Officers of the Council and, once a firm decision has been reached by the Council, it is intended that every effort be made during the next four years to clear the remaining unfit areas.

## IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

94 detailed property surveys were made in response to enquiries and applications for grant aid involving 495 visits and interviews resulting in the following approvals and completions :-

	<u>Approvals</u>	<u>Completions</u>	
		<u>Owner/Occ.</u>	<u>Tentd.</u>
Improvement Grants (Discretionary)	30	20	3
Improvement Grants (Conversions)	8	7	1
Standard Grants	16	11	Nil
	54	38	4

See Summary on Pages 23 and 24.

## IMPROVEMENT AREAS

Exploratory discussions were held with representatives of the Department of the Environment's Regional Office regarding possible areas for treatment, and this problem was under general review at the end of the year.

## HOUSES FOR AGRICULTURAL POPULATION

As a result of the construction of the new Spine Road for Northumberland, two of the houses erected at Low Horton Farm in 1960 were acquired by the Northumberland County Council for eventual demolition. Annual Certificates were issued in respect of the remaining twelve dwellings constructed since 1958.



Two applications were received for cancellation of Certificates of Disrepair issued under the 1957 Act and the current position is :-

1.	Certificate of Disrepair issued	38
2.	Certificate of Non-Compliance with Undertakings	26

HOUSING ACT, 1969 - QUALIFICATION CERTIFICATES

Part III of the Housing Act, 1969 contains provisions enabling the owner of a "Controlled" tenancy to be changed to a "Regulated" tenancy subject to the dwellinghouse complying with three essential conditions :-

- (1) that it possesses the five standard amenities
- (2) that it is in good repair having regard to age, character and locality
- (3) that it is in all respects fit for human habitation having regard to the standard prescribed by Sec. 4 of the Housing Act 1957.

Additional machinery is provided enabling an owner of a controlled tenancy to obtain a Provisional Certificate where, although the house has not all the required amenities, the owner proposes to instal these with the consent of the tenant.

On receipt of an application from an owner it is required that a copy be forwarded to the tenant who has twenty-eight days in which to make representation if he/she considers the house does not comply with the qualifying conditions but, in any event, it is necessary that the house be inspected by a member of the Health Department to verify statements made by either party.

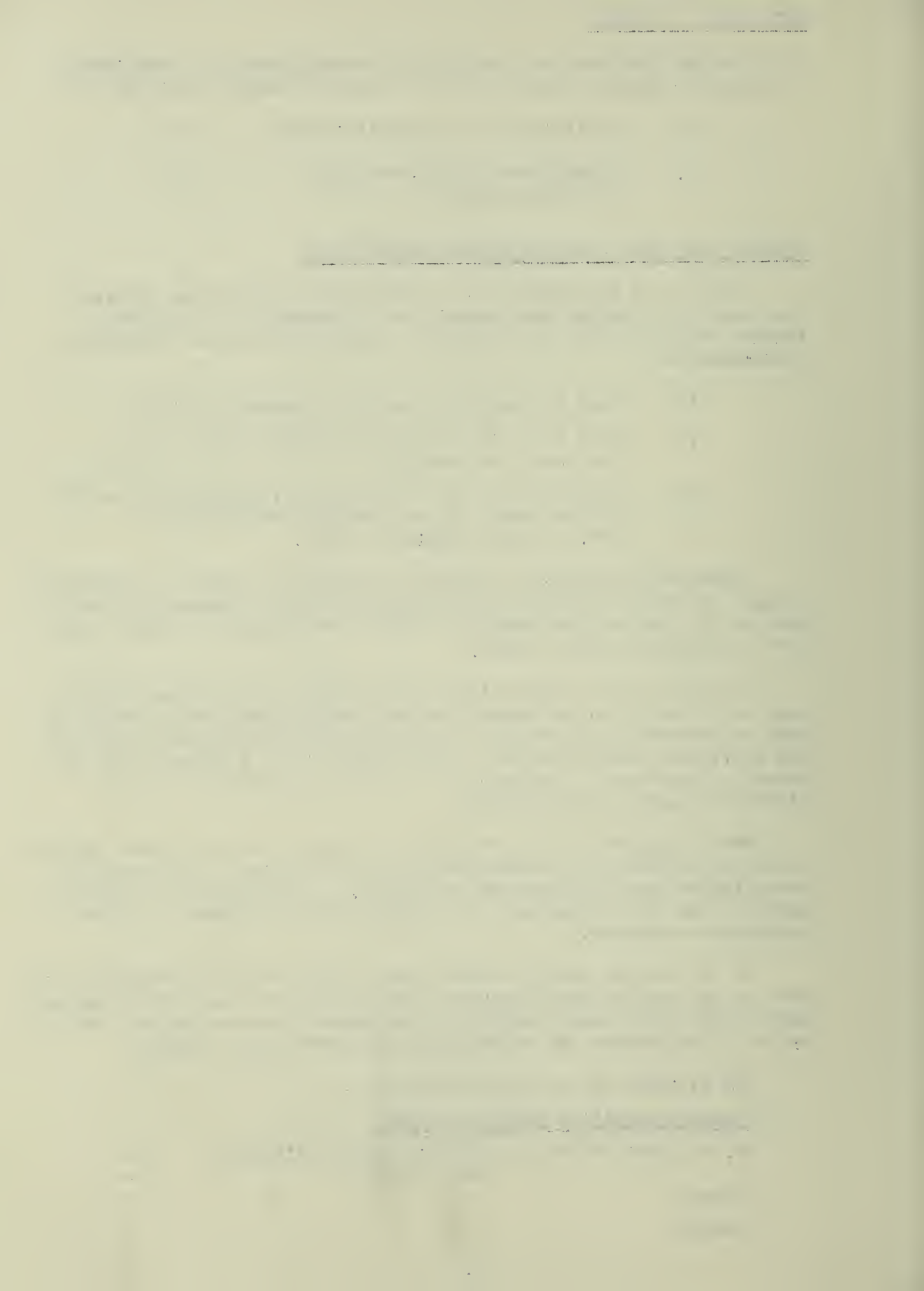
When a Qualification Certificate is issued, the owner then applies to the Rent Officer for Northumberland who will fix a "Fair Rent" in consultation with the landlord and tenant. In the event of failure to agree to the rent determined, the matter will be referred to a rent assessment committee.

It is a little early to state what effect these new provisions will have on the work of the department, but as the new legislation becomes more widely known there could be a substantial increase in the next year or so in inspections and negotiations with owners and tenants.

The position at the end of 1970 was :-

Standard Amenities Already Provided

No. of Applications for Qualification Certificates	12
Section 44(1)	—
Refused	7
Pending	5

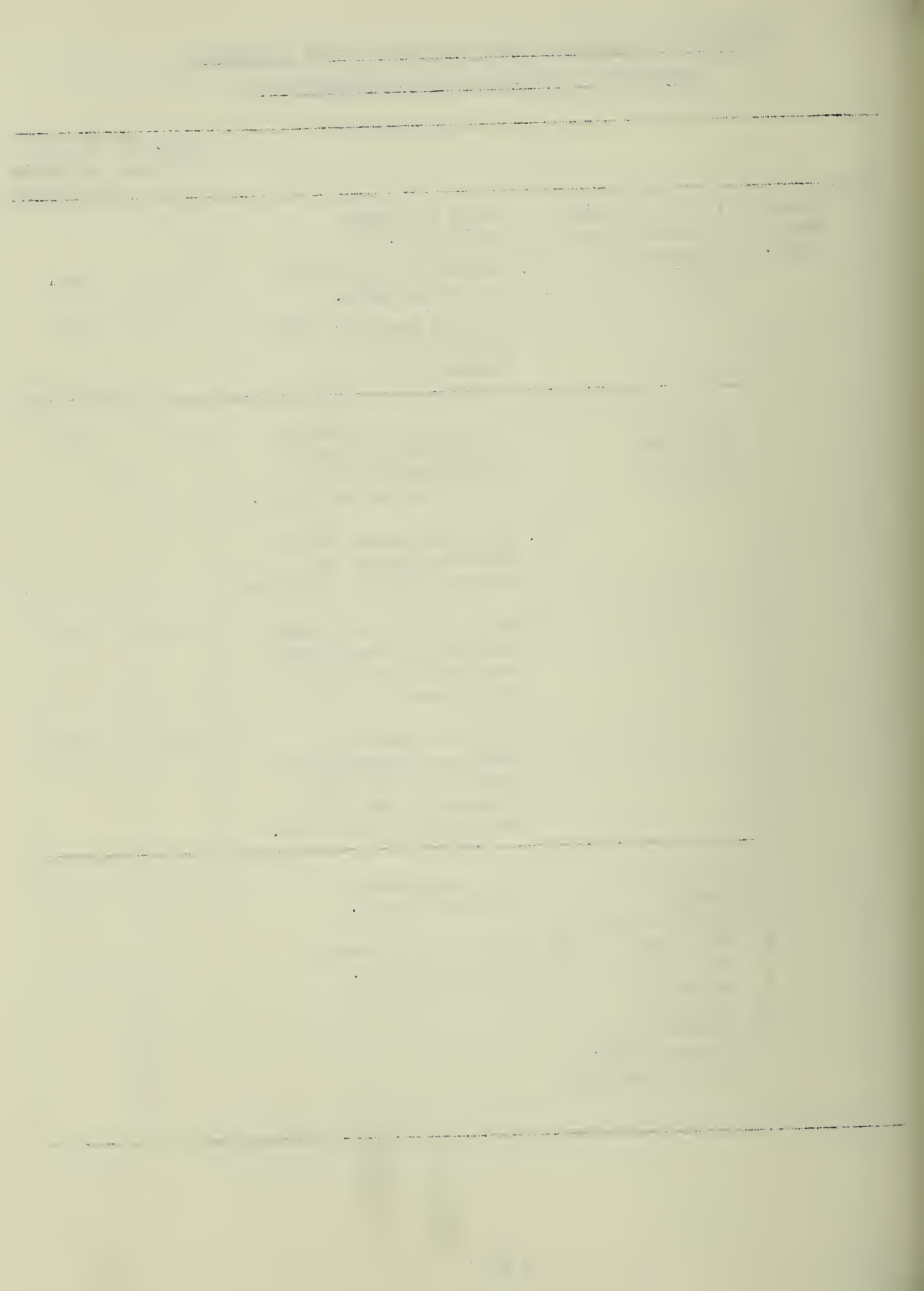




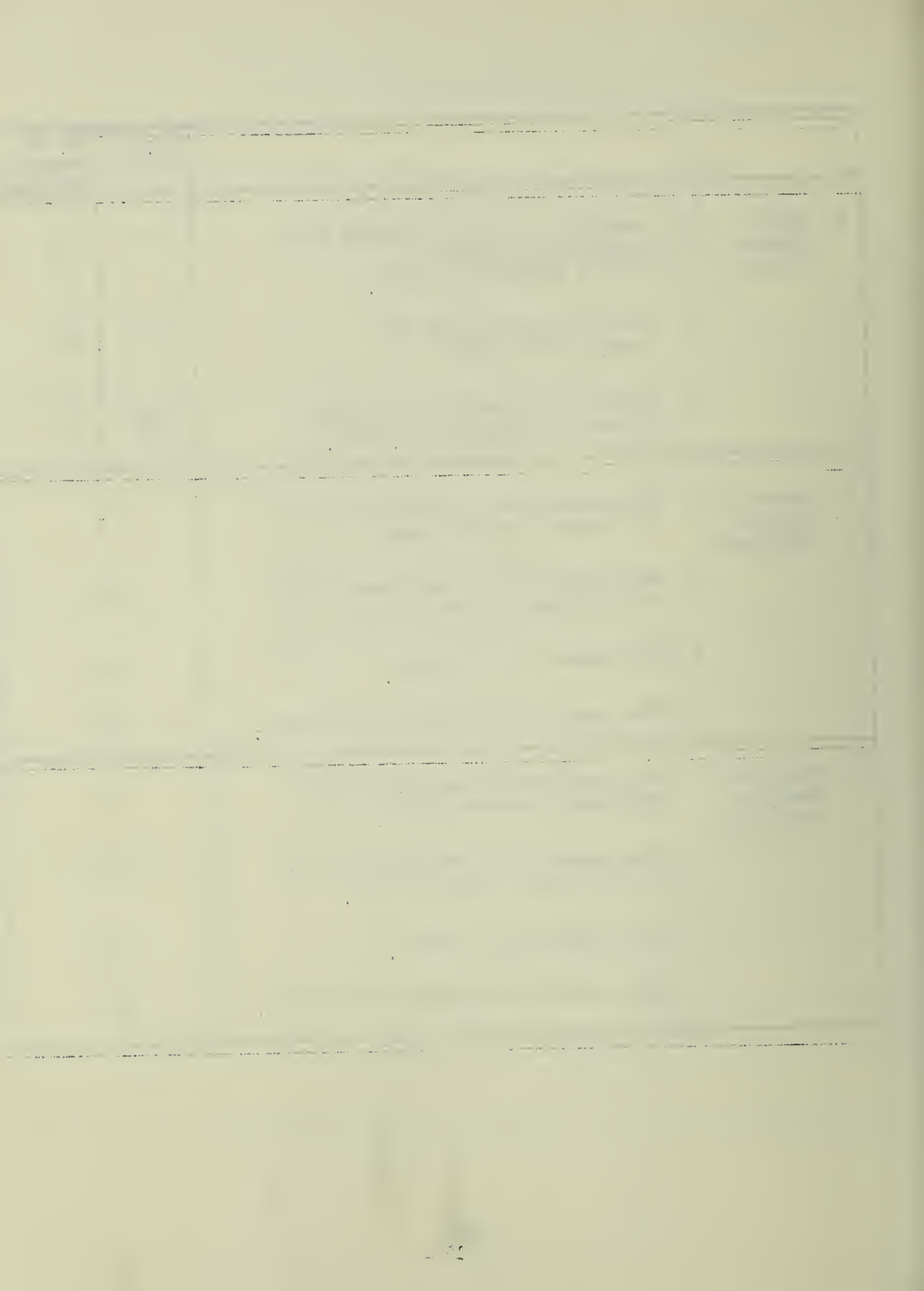
HOUSES IN CLEARANCE AREAS AND UNFIT HOUSES ELSEWHERE -

RETURN FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1970

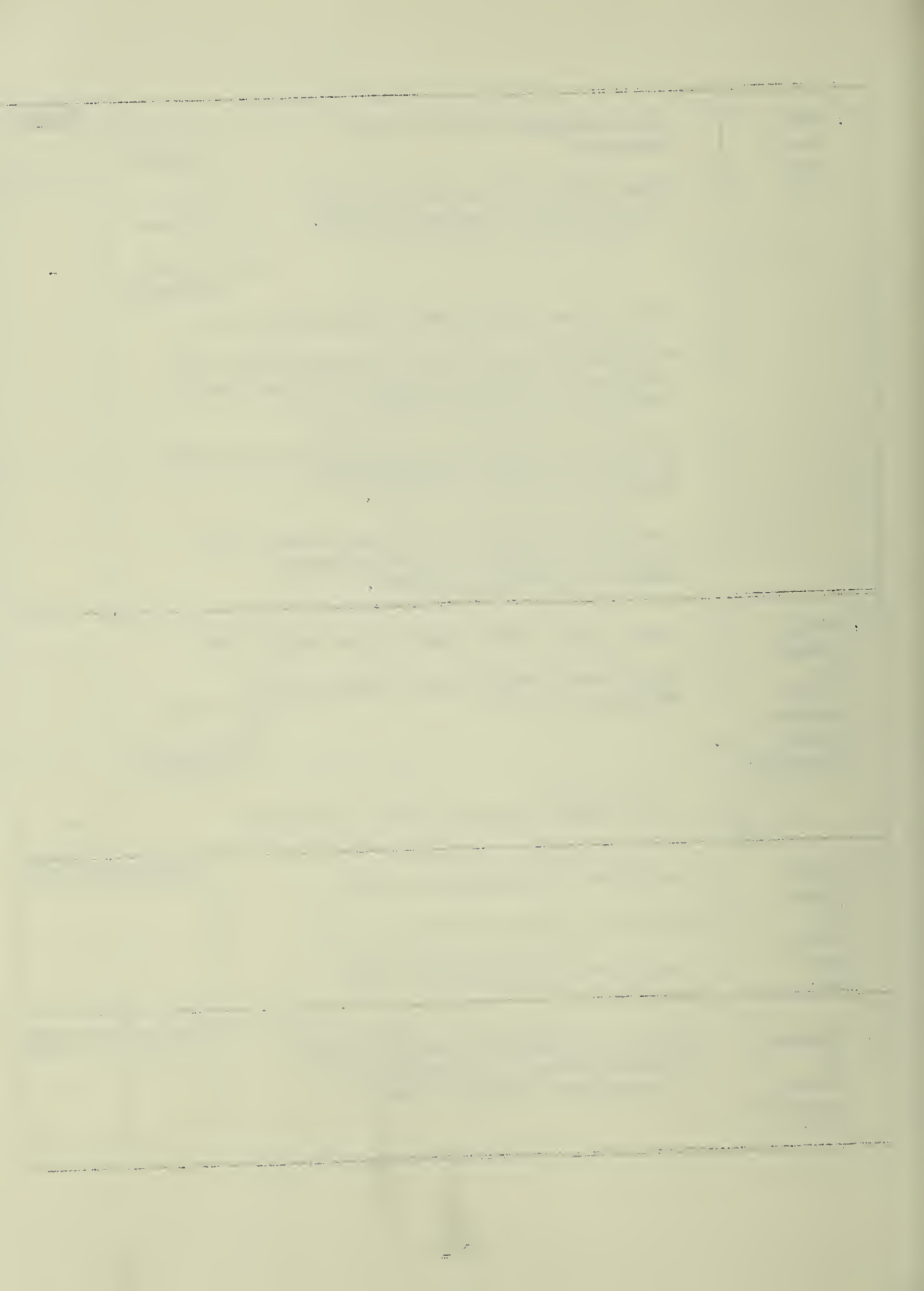
			No. of Houses	No. of Separate Dwellings
A. Houses Demolished.	In or adjoining Clearance Areas, Section 42 Housing Act, 1957.	1. Unfit for human habitation.	6	6
		2. Included by reason of bad arrangement.	Nil	Nil
		3. On land acquired under Section 43(2) Housing Act, 1957.	Nil	Nil
	Not in or adjoining Clearance Areas.	4. As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 16 or 17(1) Housing Act, 1957.	44	44
		5. Local authority houses certified unfit by Medical Officer of Health.	2	2
		6. Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts.	Nil	Nil
		7. Houses included in unfitness orders under para. 2 of the 2nd Schedule to the Land Compensation Act, 1961.	Nil	Nil
	Number of houses included above which were previously reported as closed in pursuance of closing orders or undertakings	8. In or adjoining clearance areas.	Nil	Nil
		9. Not in or adjoining clearance areas.	25	25



		No. of Houses	No. of Separate Dwellings
B. Unfit Houses Closed.	1. Under Secs. 16(4), 17(1) and 35(1) Housing Act, 1957, and Sec. 26 Housing Act, 1961.	14	14
	2. Under Secs. 17(3) and 26, Housing Act, 1957.	Nil	Nil
	3. Parts of Buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act, 1957.	<del>Nil</del> 25	25
C. Number of Persons Displaced.	1. From houses to be demolished in or adjoining clearance areas.	1	
	2. From houses to be demolished not in or adjoining clearance areas.	40	
	3. From houses to be closed.	47	
	4. From parts of buildings to be closed.	73	
D. Number of Families Displaced.	1. From houses to be demolished in or adjoining clearance areas.	1	
	2. From houses to be demolished not in or adjoining clearance areas.	14	
	3. From houses to be closed.	12	
	4. From parts of buildings to be closed.	26	



E. Unfit Houses made Fit.	1. After informal action by local authority.	by owner	<u>Houses</u>	
	2. After formal notice under Sections 9(1) and 16(1), Housing Act 1957.	(a) by owner	-	
	3.	(b) by local authority	-	
	4. After formal notice under Public Health Acts.		-	
	5. Previously included in a clearance order which has been or will be modified or revoked under Section 24, Housing Act 1961.		-	
	6. Previously included in a demolition order which has been or will be revoked under Section 24, Housing Act 1957.		-	
	7. Previously included in a closing order which has been or will be determined under Section 27, Housing Act 1957.		-	
F. Other Houses in which defects were remedied.	1. After formal notice under Public Health Acts.		50	
	2. After formal action under Section 9(1A), Housing Act 1957.	(a) by owner	-	
	3.	(b) by local authority	-	
	4. After informal action by local authority.		68	
G. Unfit Houses in temporary use.	1. Under Sec. 48, Housing Act, 1957.		<u>Houses</u>	<u>Sep. Dwls.</u>
	2. Under Sec. 17(2) Housing Act, 1957.		-	-
	3. Under Sec. 46 Housing Act, 1957.		-	-
H. Purchase of Houses by agreement.	Houses in clearance areas other than those included in confirmed orders or compulsory purchase orders.		<u>Houses</u>	<u>Occupiers</u>
			-	-



The total figures since 1945 are :-

Year	Clearance Areas		Demolition Orders		Closing Orders		TOTAL	
	Houses Demolished	Persons Dis-placed	Houses	Persons Dis-placed	Houses	Persons Dis-placed	Houses	Persons Dis-placed
1945/50	399	1,875	55	432	1	4	455	2,311
1951	139	339	2	4	10	19	151	362
1952	67	220	76	298	8	36	151	554
1953	112	362	64	194	27	120	203	676
1954	-	-	33	103	37	131	70	234
1955	-	-	22	82	21	81	43	163
1956	109	-	4	22	23	119	136	141
1957	31	3	15	74	15	59	61	136
1958	2	184	3	26	23	51	28	261
1959	57	-	4	39	29	107	90	146
1960	10	-	10	92	34	105	54	197
1961	-	-	46	23	11	52	57	75
1962	-	-	28	13	20	68	48	81
1963	-	-	27	1	7	16	34	17
1964	-	-	20	-	9	50	29	50
1965	-	7	2	17	11	41	13	65
1966	73	221	9	2	13	31	95	254
1967	65	177	-	3	18	49	83	229
1968	41	137	-	9	18	53	59	199
1969	70	78	34	-	38	109	142	187
1970	6	1	46	40	39	120	91	161
	1,181	3,604	500	1,474	412	1,421	2,093	6,499

No. of dwellings included above which were previously regarded as Closed (now demolished).

1961 - 1969 : 100 }  
1970 : 25 } 125

In addition to the above figures, 165 prefabricated dwellings have been demolished.





# HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

	1969		1970	
	With State Assistance	Unaided	With State Assistance	Unaided
<u>Houses Completed in 1970</u>				
Permanent Traditional - Contractor	84	-	301	-
Permanent Non-Traditional	-	-	-	-
<u>Houses in Progress 31.12.70</u>				
Permanent Traditional - Contractor	285	-	-	-
Permanent Non-Traditional	-	-	-	-
<u>Houses Approved by M.H.L.G.</u>	12	-	197	-
<u>Houses Completed Post War by Council up to 31.12.70</u>				
Permanent - Traditional	3,070	-	2,952	-
Permanent - Non-Traditional	-	-	-	-
100 Wimpey	-	-	-	-
50 Myton	-	-	-	-
24 Shipyard	-	-	-	-
2 Albion Depot	174	2	174	2
<u>Permanent Pre-Fabricated</u>				
B.I.S.F.	72	-	72	-
Concrete (South Farm)	44	-	44	-
<u>Houses Completed by Private Enterprise</u>				
Traditional	-	183	-	278
<u>Houses Completed Post War by Private Enterprise</u>				
Traditional	-	1,231	-	1,509
Non-Traditional	-	-	-	-



APPLICATIONS

COMPLETIONS

Year	Approved	Refused	Owner-Occupied		Tenanted		Owner-Occupied		Tenanted	
			Grant	s d	Grant	s d	No.	Grant	s d	No.
1955/69	379	11	30,857.	6. 0.	50,372.	0. 0.	88	21,864.	1. 0.	236
1970	30	-	10,949.	15. 0.	1,763.	10. 0.	20	7,891.	15. 0.	3
	409	11	41,807.	1. 0.	52,135.	10. 0.	108	29,755.	16. 0.	239
			£93,942. 11. 0.		347 ...		£76,477. 16. 0.			

CONVERSION APPLICATIONS

CONVERSION COMPLETIONS

Year	Approved	No. of sellings	Owner-Occupied		Tenanted		Owner-Occupied		Tenanted	
			Grant	s d.	Grant	s d.	No.	Grant	s d.	No.
1955/69	32	34	5,082.	0. 0.	3,606.	0. 0.	14	3,849.	0. 0.	8
1970	8	8	3,275.	10. 0.	558.	0. 0.	7	3,275.	10. 0.	1
	40	42	8,357.	10. 0.	4,164.	0. 0.	21	7,124.	10. 0.	9
			£12,521. 10. 0.		30 ...		£9,327. 10. 0.			

DISCRETIONARY GRANTS - CANCELLATIONS

No.	Owner-Occupied		Tenanted	
	Grant		Grant	
5	£1,338. 10. 0.		£660. 0. 0.	



APPLICATIONS

COMPLETIONS

Year	Approved	Refused	Owner-Occupied		Tenanted		Owner-Occupied		Tenanted	
			Grant	s d	£	s d	No.	Grant	No.	Grant
1955/69	124	1	10,478.	10. 0.	6,675.	0. 0.	68	8,267.	15. 0.	5,495.
1970	16	-	2,085.	0. 0.	355.	0. 0.	11	1,281.	10. 1.	18. 4.
	140	1	12,563.	10. 0.	7,030.	0. 0.	79	9,549.	5. 1.	-
										5,495.
										18. 4.

£19,593. 10. 0.      124      £15,045. 3. 5.

STANDARD GRANTS - CANCELLATIONS

No.	Owner-Occupied		Tenanted	
	Grant		Grant	
1	£100. 0. 0.		-	



AVERAGE COST PER COMPLETED DWELLING - 1955/70

DISCRETIONARY:	347 ...	... £76,477.	16.	0.	= £220.	7. 11 per house.
"	CONVERSIONS:	30 ...	... £ 9,327.	10.	0. = £310.	18. 4. " "
STANDARD:	124 ...	... £15,045.	3.	5.	= £121.	6. 8. " "

1970 COMPLETION COSTS

DISCRETIONARY:	31 ...	... £12,954.	10.	0.	= £417.	17. 9. per house
STANDARD:	11 ...	... £ 1,281.	10.	1.	= £116.	10. 0. " "
TOTAL GRANT AID:		<u>£14,236.</u>	0.	1.		

STANDARD GRANTS - PROVISION OF AMENITIES

Year:	Fixed Baths or Showers	Wash Basins	Hot Water Supplies	Internal Water-Closets	Food Storage Facilities
1955/69	93	96	89	110	39
1970	7	8	9	11	-
	100	104	98	121	39





FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

FOOD PREMISES :-

In accordance with the instructions of the Secretary of State for the Department of Health and Social Security, the following information is given regarding food premises in the Borough.

Bakeries	5	Hotels	3
Combined Bakeries and Shops	5	Restaurants	5
Retail Shops	10	Cafes and Snack Bars	7
Butchers	21	Grill Rooms	1
Cooked Meats	6	Ice-Cream Manufacturers	1
Departmental Stores	3	Licensed Premises	42
Factory Canteens	5	Licensed Clubs	20
Fish Fryers	16	Off-Licences	12
Fish Wholesalers/Retail	3	Mineral Water Manufact.	1
Food Warehouses	8	School Kitchens	8
General Dealers	52	Domestic Science Rooms	9
Greengrocers	13	Sugar Confectionery - Retail	20
Grocery & Provisions	28	Sugar Confectionery - Manufacturers	1

A total of 305

REGISTRATIONS:-

The number of premises registered under Section 16 of the Act is as follows:-

Bakehouses	10	Ice-Cream Manufact.	1
Butchers	16	Ice-Cream Retailers	110
Cooked Meats	8	Wet Fish & Shellfish	3
Cooked Meals	1	Fish Fryers	16

NEW REGISTRATIONS:-

Preparation of Cooked Meals	1
Sale of Ice Cream (pre-packed)	2



## MILK AND DAIRIES REGULATIONS

There are 55 Registered Distributors selling milk in bottle only; four Dairy/Milk Stores and one Dairy/Pasteurising Plant in the Borough.

Samples of Pasteurised Milk taken by the County Health Inspector gave the following results :-

	Methylene Blue Test			Phosphates Test		Total Samples
	Satis- factory	Unsatis- factory	Void	Satis- factory	Unsatis- factory	
Pasteurised	41	1	2	44	-	88

## THE FOOD HYGIENE (MARKET STALLS & DELIVERY VEHICLES) REGULATIONS 1966

It was not possible to adequately enforce these Regulations during the year due to two vacancies occurring in the post of second Additional Public Health Inspector.

## THE ICE CREAM (HEAT TREATMENT) REGULATIONS, 1959 TO 1963

There is only one Registered ice-cream manufacturer in the Borough from whom the following samples were obtained :-

Grade 1. (7)

Grade 3. (1)

## THE SLAUGHTERHOUSES ACT, 1958

## THE SLAUGHTERHOUSES ACT (HYGIENE & CRUELTY) REGULATIONS

I reported in the Annual Report for 1969 that certain deficiencies in connection with the above Regulations had been notified to the then licence holders, the Blyth Co-operative Society Limited and that they were currently under consideration. Following the amalgamation of a number of Societies to form the North Eastern Co-operative Society Limited, formal notification was received on the 18th November, 1970 that they did not propose to renew the licence, and the licence in respect of the Slaughterhouse, Plessey Road, Blyth, duly expired on the 31st December, 1970 when slaughtering ceased.



The Slaughterhouses, which originally consisted of ten separate bays let to individual butchers, were acquired from Sir Matthew White Ridley on the 16th September, 1898 by the then South Blyth Urban District and continued in the ownership of the Blyth Corporation until the 31st January 1964 when they were sold to the Blyth Co-operative Society Limited.

The bays continued to be operated as separately licensed slaughterhouses until meat slaughtering and allocation became the prerogative of the Ministry of Food following the outbreak of war. After the cessation of hostilities there were two courses of action open to the Council - to carry out major reconstruction of the slaughterhouses or, alternatively, to construct a new abattoir. After discussion with the then Ministry of Food it was ultimately decided, pending determination of the Government's long-term slaughtering policy, that it was inadvisable for the Council to proceed with the preparation of plans for a new abattoir and immediate improvements were put in hand in 1950 to convert the separate bays into one slaughtering unit for cattle and sheep with separate inspection and hanging rooms and a separate slaughtering unit for pigs, together with improvements to cattle lairages, new steam raising plant and all ancillary equipment. These works were carried out and the slaughterhouse continued to be run and maintained by the Corporation on behalf of the Ministry until meat rationing ended in the summer of 1954 when the premises were then leased to the Blyth Meat Traders Association with the Corporation responsible for cleansing and maintenance.

Following the introduction of the Slaughterhouses Act, 1958 and subsequent Hygiene and Cruelty Regulations, protracted negotiations were instituted between the Traders and the Council on the method of financing the major improvements required to comply with the Act and, following failure to agree, the premises were subsequently sold to the Blyth Co-operative Society on the 31st January, 1964 who carried out a complete reconstruction in 1965 to comply with the various statutory requirements. Thereafter the slaughterhouse was held and operated by the Society who made the facilities available to the local and certain outside traders.

#### MEAT INSPECTION

The first mention of meat inspection as required by The Public Health (Meat) Regulations, 1924 is contained in the Annual Report for 1925 and the first detailed record of animals inspected is contained in the report for 1926 which showed that 833 Bovines, 845 Pigs and 1,187 Sheep were examined and that 7 Beasts, 4 Pigs and 3 Sheep carcasses were condemned.



As the years went by this figure of 2,865 animals gradually rose until the peak was reached in 1968 with 11,320 animals slaughtered, examined and stamped in accordance with current Regulations.

### THE MEAT INSPECTION REGULATIONS

Slaughtering took place on 258 days including 2 Saturdays, 2 Sundays and 4 Statutory Holidays, involving 547 visits for the purpose. Total carcasses and offal inspected and marked were 10,625 (See details Page 32).

### ANIMAL HEALTH

A total of 159½ animals (See details below) were condemned as being unfit for human consumption, being principally the class of animal referred to in my report for 1968.

Segregation of diseased or unsound animals in accordance with the Regulations is usually accomplished by the fact that most of the low-grade stock are brought to the slaughterhouse towards the end of the week and special attention is given to these.

### CONDEMNED MEAT AND OFFAL

159½ entire carcasses, together with 686 part carcasses and organs were condemned, amounting to a total weight of 13 tons. 8 cwts. 2 qrs. 1 lb., which were disposed of to Tyneside Butchers By-products Ltd. Details as under :-

<u>Animal</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Disease</u>	<u>Weight in lbs.</u>
Cow	23	Oedema and Emaciation	6,610
"	2	Arthritis and Emaciation	500
"	6	Emaciation	1,670
"	1	Pyæmia	225
"	2	Septicaemia	520
"	1	Acute S. Pleuro-pneumonia	245
"	1	Peritonitis	500
"	1	Pleurisy, Peritonitis and emaciation	350
C/F:	<u>37</u>		<u>10,620</u>





<u>Animal</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Disease</u>	<u>Weight in</u> <u>lbs</u>	
B/F:	37		10,620	
Cow	1	Septic Metritis	270	
"	1	Emaciation and imperfect bleeding	255	
"	1	Anasarca	255	
"	1	Carcinoma	420	
"	1	Gangrene	540	
Heifer	1	Septic Arthritis & emaciation	350	
Beast	1	Carcinoma	375	
"	3	Septicaemia	765	
"	1	Pleurisy	182	
"	1	Oedema & emaciation	350	
"	1	Pathological emaciation	275	
Bullock	1	Enteritis and Oedema	450	
Calf	1	Septic Enteritis	85	
Bull	1	Pyrexia	575	
	<hr/> 53		<hr/> 15,767	15,767
Sheep	1	Traumatism and bruising	32	
"	28	Oedema and emaciation	863	
"	3	Arthritis and emaciation	86	
"	1	Septic Pneumonia	40	
"	1	Pneumonia and emaciation	42	
"	1	Septicaemia	45	
"	6	Arthritis	215	
"	5	Emaciation	155	
Ewes	1	Traumatism	35	
"	2	Imperfect bleeding	105	
"	33	Oedema and emaciation	1,375	
C/F:	<hr/> 82		<hr/> 2,993	



<u>Animal</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Disease</u>	<u>Weight in lbs.</u>	
B/F:	82		2,993	15,767
Ewes	2	Septic Pneumonia	90	
"	1	Anasarca	40	
"	1	Septic Arthritis	50	
"	2	Emaciation	40	
"	1	Moribund	45	
"	3	Arthritis and emaciation	105	
"	$\frac{1}{2}$	Traumatic Oedema	20	
Tup.	1	Oedema and emaciation	78	
	<u>93<math>\frac{1}{2}</math></u>		<u>3,461</u>	<u>19,228</u>
Pig	1	Deformities and emaciation	100	
"	1	Bilateral Hydronephritis	200	
"	1	Septicaemia	70	
"	1	Swine Erysipelas	70	
"	1	Septic Pleurisy and Peritonitis	70	
Sow	1	Septic Metritis	155	
"	2	Septicaemia	205	
"	2	Swine Erysipelas	320	
"	2	Oedema and emaciation	200	
"	1	Abscesses	150	
	<u>13</u>		<u>1,540</u>	<u>20,768</u>
<u>Total:</u>	<u>159<math>\frac{1}{2}</math></u>			<u>20,768</u>

In addition, the following part carcasses and organs were condemned :-

Cattle	437	7,303
Sheep	123	642
Pigs	126	1,360
	<u>686</u>	<u>9,305</u>



CARCASES AND OFFAL INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

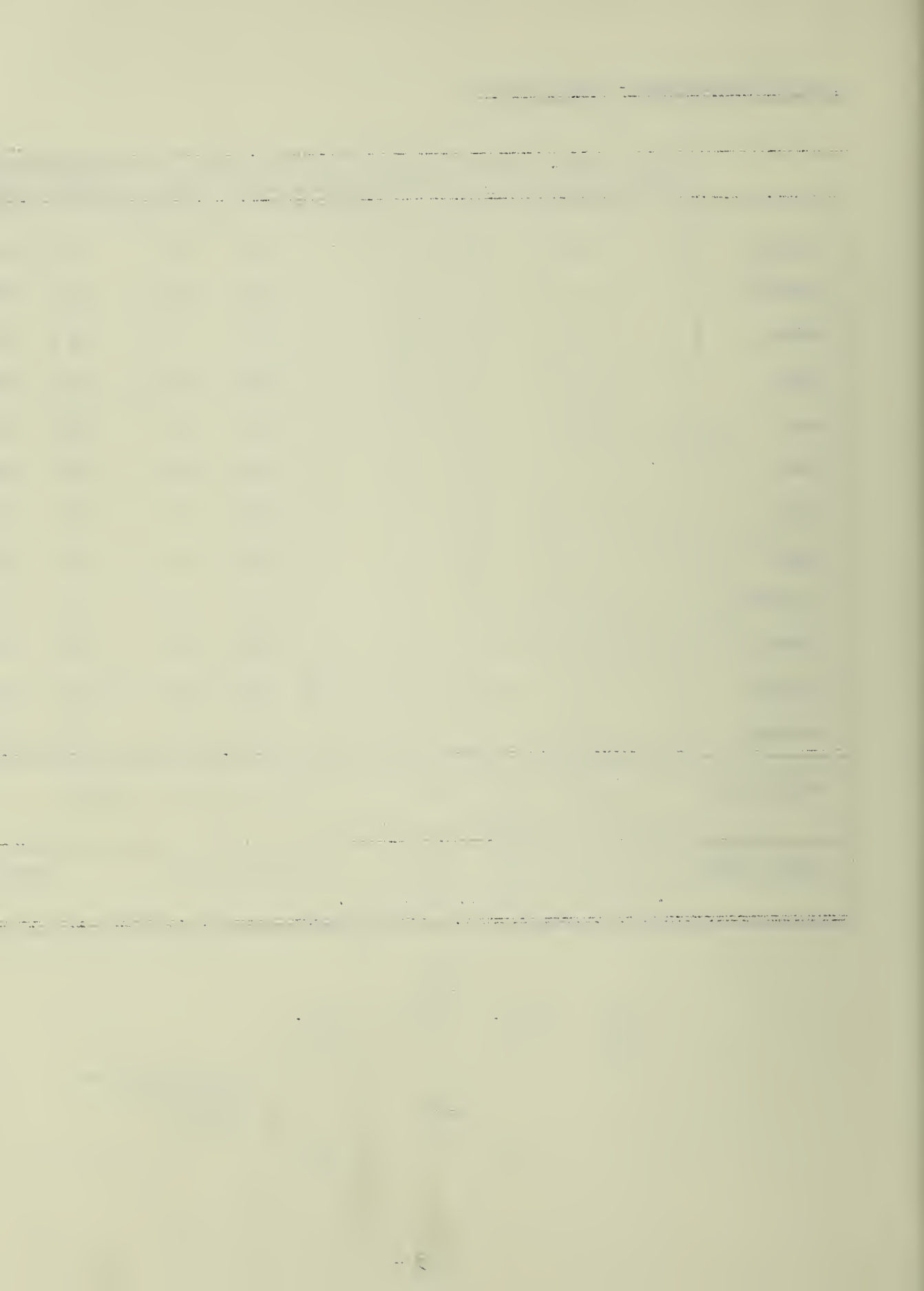
	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed.	2,014	234	44	6,461	1,872
Number inspected.	2,014	234	44	6,461	1,872
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci:					
Whole carcasses condemned.	10	42	1	93 $\frac{1}{2}$	13
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.	295	38	3	86	84
Percentage of the number inspected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci.	14.6	15.4	6.8	1.3	4.5
Tuberculosis only:					
Whole carcasses condemned.	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.	1	-	-	-	13
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis.	.05	-	-	-	.69
Cysticercosis:					
Carcasses of which some part or organs was condemned.	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration.	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned.	-	-	-	-	-



# ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED - SUMMARY 1970

	Bulls	Bull- ocks	Hei- fers	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs	Totals 1970	Totals 1969
January	-	105	58	24	-	617	111	915	1,088
February	1	115	43	24	1	553	107	844	663
March	-	125	32	18	5	450	172	802	733
April	2	126	32	40	5	439	266	910	593
May	1	113	39	24	6	383	222	788	503
June	-	101	58	18	1	488	136	802	667
July	-	81	58	13	4	490	101	747	616
August	1	87	82	11	2	510	120	813	687
September	1	102	82	8	5	652	138	988	805
October	1	102	78	16	5	653	130	985	879
November	-	127	91	24	7	703	140	1,092	879
December	-	118	52	14	3	523	229	939	838
Totals 1970	7	1,302	705	234	44	6,461	1,872	10,625	-
	.....	2,292	.....	.....	.....				
Totals 1969	3	1,277	494	270	17	5,363	1,527	-	8,951
	.....	2,061	.....	.....	.....				

<u>1970</u>				
Sows.	Boars.	Tups.	Ewes.	) All included in Totals of Summary.
455	30	-	416	
<u>1969</u>				
-	32	-	863	)





## DISEASES OF ANIMALS

No notifications were received.

## SLAUGHTER OF POULTRY ACT, 1970

There are no poultry processing premises within the Borough.

## UNSOUND FOOD

The following complaints as to unsound or the presence of foreign bodies in food were dealt with :-

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| 1. Melting and discolouration of chocolates.        | Retailer warned re display in sun.  |
| 2. Piece of stale dough in loaf.                    | Manufacturer warned and area Health Department notified.  |
| 3. Wasp in Jam..                                    | Manufacturer notified.  |
| 4. Tin of garden peas contained liquid only.        | Retailer and manufacturer notified.   |
| 5. Pastry affected with mould.                      | Retailer warned and manufacturer notified.  |
| 6. Pie affected with mould.                         | Retailer warned and manufacturer notified.  |
| 7. Hair grip in meat pie.                           | Complaint referred to Weights and Measures Department, Northumberland County Council.                                   |
| 8. Pie affected with mould.                         | Retailer warned and manufacturer notified.  |
| 9. Contaminated sugar.                              | Referred to British Sugar Corporation. Complaint unwarranted.   |
| 10. Insect in canned meat.                          | Manufacturer notified. Complaint unsubstantiated.   |
| 11. Yoghurt affected with mould.                    | Retailer warned and manufacturer notified.  |
| 12. Crispbread affected with spider beetles (1969). | Legal proceedings for sale of unsound food and contravention of Food Hygiene Regulations. Retailer fined £75 and costs. |



The following additional foodstuffs were surrendered and on inspection found to be unfit for human consumption :-

	<u>Tins</u>	<u>Pkts.</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Jars.</u>	<u>Lbs.</u>
Meat	4,826	82	-	-	20
Fruit	3,631	-	-	9	-
Vegetables	6,631	74	-	-	-
Fish	466	980	-	-	-
Puddings	1,230	-	-	-	-
Milk	1,919	-	-	-	-
Cereals	761	-	-	-	-
Soup	2,251	-	-	-	-
Fruit Juice	211	-	-	-	-
Preserves	35	-	-	-	-
Yorkshire Puddings	-	-	12	-	-
Cakes	-	-	1	-	-
Pastry	-	28	-	-	-
Jam	11	-	-	-	-
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Total:	<u>21,972</u>	<u>1,164</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>20</u>



## PUBLIC HEALTH

### PART II - SANITATION AND BUILDINGS

#### DRAINAGE, REFUSE AND VERMINOUS PREMISES

The undermentioned free services were provided during the year once again with an increase in the removal of discarded household effects.

Cleansing of choked drains	...	...	...	...	64
Removal of unwanted household effects	...	...	...	...	2,175
No. of houses treated for insect pests	...	...	...	...	378

#### SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

It was most appropriate that, during European Conservation Year, a major step in the elimination of tidal pollution was achieved when the extended Cowpen Sewage Treatment Works were inaugurated on the 17th October, 1970.

The extensions, together with the new dual foul and surface water sewers and pumping stations, are capable of serving a population of 15,000 and currently the foul sewage from the Newsham and Links Road area, together with prospective Gordon Road Development, plus existing areas at Malvins Close and Cowpen is delivered to the works for treatment. This has meant that the discharge of crude sewage through existing outfalls into the South Harbour and to the sea at Wellesley Nautical School and Link House has been discontinued.

Further extensions to the works and construction of additional pumping stations are proposed, capable of serving a population of 50,000 together with treatment of trade waste, and when this final stage is complete the remaining five outfalls still discharging crude sewage to the river will be eliminated.

### PART III - NUISANCES

2,331 visits and interviews were made in connection with general public health matters, principally arising out of complaints. This figure does not include the 2,758 visits made in connection with specific Housing duties, but it is felt that this considerable increase is primarily due to more time being spent in interviews with tenants, landlords, estate agents and builders in an endeavour to secure a satisfactory outcome. The inflationary spiral of costs in labour and materials without corresponding increase in nett rents of controlled properties is resulting in a marked resistance on the part of owners to place orders for other than absolutely essential repairs to deal with urgent insanitary or dangerous conditions.



## KEEPING OF ANIMALS

No specific action was required during the year.

## SPOILBANKS

The removal of shale from spoilbanks within the Borough continued on a minor scale and I am indebted to the Area Director of the National Coal Board for the following figures :-

	<u>Tons Shale Removed</u> <u>in 1970</u>
Horton Colliery, Bebside	1,752

I am also indebted to the County Planning Officer for the following information :-

### Horton Grange

The reclamation of the Horton Grange pit heap is being carried out by the Opencast Executive in association with their Bebside opencast site.

### Isabella Colliery

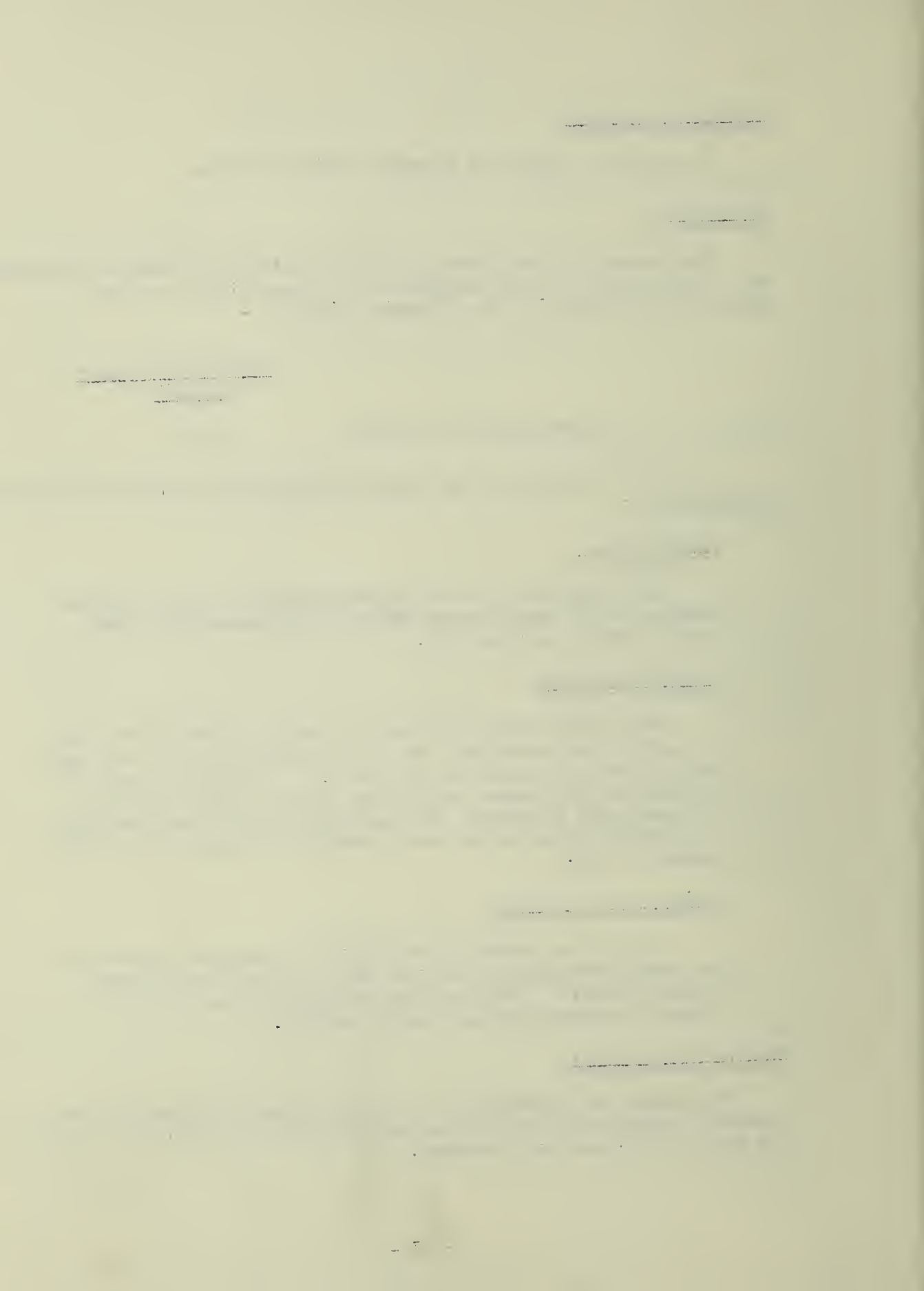
The County Council propose to reclaim Isabella Pit Heap to public open space use, and it is anticipated that the works will commence in August of this year. The pit heap will be re-profiled and spread on the land to the north, to give a pleasant hill formation, the area will be sown with grass and a considerable amount of tree planting will take place in the Autumn of 1972.

### Crofton Mill Colliery

You will no doubt be aware that a reclamation scheme is now being undertaken on Crofton Mill pit heap area by the County Council. This has been seeded and trees will be planted in Autumn for an amenity woodland.

### New Delaval Colliery

Following the acquisition of the New Delaval spoilbanks by the Council, major reclamation works involving the construction of a new 18 hole golf course were commenced.





## PART IV - WATER SUPPLY

The water supply to the Borough is entirely by mains supply by the Newcastle and Gateshead Water Company. The principal source is Coquet water from the North treated at the Warkworth Treatment Plant and then by main at a rate of 6,000,000 gallons per day to the Water Board. At a point North of Seaton Burn the trunk main sub-divides and delivers bulk water direct to the Borough.

The Tynemouth supply is taken from Fontburn or Mitford or occasionally the Warkworth Treatment Plants. No fluorides are added.

I am indebted to the Water Board for the following figures of supply, bacteriological and chemical analyses :-

<u>Source of Supply</u>	<u>Gallons</u>
Newcastle & Gateshead Water Co.	406,910,000
Tynemouth Corporation Water Dept.	18,283,000
	<u>425,193,000</u>

In the course of the year 24 samples were taken by the Board from the distribution system and all were free from coliform organisms.

In addition, 31 samples of drinking water were taken by the Health Department from various sampling points in the Borough, as under :-

<u>Site</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Tynemouth Water</u>			
St. Ronan's Drive, Seaton Sluice.	6		
Derwent Road, Seaton Sluice.	1		
<u>Newcastle &amp; Gateshead Water</u>			
Co-operative Dairy.	8	Newsham C.P. School.	2
Slaughterhouse.	1	New Delaval "	1
Mermaid Cafe.	1	Bebside "	1
Ridley Park Drinking Fountain.	1	Newlands Sec. Modern School.	1
Beach Chalots.	1	Bebside " "	1
South Newsham Camp Site.	1	Grammar School	1
Dinsdale House.	1	John Temple Factory Canteen.	1
Mallard Way.	1	Seghini's Ice-Cream Factory.	1



CHEMICAL ANALYSESNEWCASTLE AND GATESHEAD WATER COMPANYTYPICAL RESULTS OF CHEMICAL ANALYSES OF FILTERED WATERS  
FROM WARKWORTH TREATMENT PLANT.

					<u>Max.</u>	<u>Min.</u>	<u>Mean.</u>
pH Value	...	...	...	...	7.5	6.8	7.0
Free CO <sub>2</sub>	...	...	...	...	16	2	6
Alkalinity (As CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	...	...	...	...	120	20	80
Hardness: (As CaCO <sub>3</sub> )							
Total	...	...	...	...	170	70	125
Carbonate	...	...	...	...	120	20	80
Non-Carbonate	...	...	...	...	80	30	45
Calcium	...	...	...	...	120	40	80
Magnesium	...	...	...	...	55	25	45
Chlorides (As Cl)	...	...	...	...	24	10	16
Sulphates (As SO <sub>4</sub> )	...	...	...	...	65	35	50
Silica (As SiO <sub>2</sub> )	...	...	...	...	4.2	0.8	2.4
Fluorides (As F )	...	...	...	...	0.3	0.1	0.2
Iron (As Fe)	...	...	...	...	0.20	0.01	0.07
Manganese (As Mn)	...	...	...	...	0.05	0.01	0.01
Dissolved Solids	...	...	...	...	280	130	210

Chemical results in milligrams per litre.

This is a river-derived water the composition of which can vary from time to time. The maxima and minima quoted are not to be regarded as absolute values but rather as limits not likely to be exceeded in normal circumstances.



PREVENTION, TREATMENT AND NOTIFICATION OF  
INFECTIOUS DISEASES - PART V

76 visits were made and 21 faecal specimens submitted to the Public Health Laboratory in connection with suspected food poisoning, dysentery and other infectious diseases.

Following adverse reports from the Ministry of the high bacterial count in mussels referred to in the 1968 report, regular information was notified to the Department of the bacterial count of these shell-fish gathered from the North-East coast during the summer period, and the information was in turn notified to the Port Health Authority.

MORTUARIES AND POST-MORTEM ROOMS - PART VI

The Mortuary was used on 10 occasions, details being :-

<u>Authority</u>	<u>Bodies</u>	<u>Post-Mortems</u>
Borough of Blyth	9	5
River Blyth Port Health Authority	1	-

As before, Mr. Wade acted as Mortuary Attendant.

PROVISION OF BATHS - PART VIII

Bolan Park Swimming Baths

Bacteriological Analyses

40 water samples were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for bacteriological analyses, with the following results :-

<u>Site</u>	<u>Probable No. of coliform bac. per 100 ml.</u>	<u>No. of Samples</u>
Inlet - Learners' Pool	Nil	9
" " "	8	1
Outlet - " "	Nil	7
" " "	1	2
" " "	25	1
Inlet - Main Pool	Nil	10
Outlet - " "	Nil	10



## CHEMICAL ANALYSES

Two samples submitted to the Public Analyst from the Main Swimming Pool gave the following results :-

### Chemical Results - June 1970

pH value	7.4
	Parts per Million
Total solids dried at 180° C	1085
Chlorine as chlorides	390
Free ammonia (as nitrogen)	0.04
Albuminoid ammonia (as nitrogen)	0.42
Nitrogen as nitrates	3.2
Oxygen absorbed (4 hours at 27° C)	0.65
Total hardness	160
Non-carbonate hardness	None
Carbonate hardness	160
Lead	0.02
Copper	Less than 0.01
Iron	Less than 0.05
Appearance and Colour	Less than 5° Hazen clear and almost colourless
Smell and Taste	-
Residual free chlorine	Less than 0.05

### Report

The amount of free chlorine in this sample is insufficient to maintain a satisfactory quality. The pH value is also a little lower and the albuminoid ammonia a little higher than one would like to see in a baths water.

### Chemical Results - September 1970

Free residual Chlorine	1.0 parts per million
pH value	7.5

### Report

This is an adequate reserve of free chlorine.

1. The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions and activities. It emphasizes the need for transparency and accountability in all financial dealings.

Date		Description	Amount
1/1/2023		Initial deposit	1000.00
1/15/2023		Withdrawal for expenses	250.00
2/1/2023		Deposit from sale	500.00
2/15/2023		Withdrawal for groceries	150.00
3/1/2023		Deposit from interest	75.00
3/15/2023		Withdrawal for utilities	100.00
4/1/2023		Deposit from dividend	30.00
4/15/2023		Withdrawal for rent	400.00
5/1/2023		Deposit from salary	1200.00
5/15/2023		Withdrawal for insurance	120.00
6/1/2023		Deposit from bonus	300.00
6/15/2023		Withdrawal for travel	180.00
7/1/2023		Deposit from investment	150.00
7/15/2023		Withdrawal for maintenance	90.00
8/1/2023		Deposit from pension	200.00
8/15/2023		Withdrawal for healthcare	110.00
9/1/2023		Deposit from savings	100.00
9/15/2023		Withdrawal for education	200.00
10/1/2023		Deposit from inheritance	500.00
10/15/2023		Withdrawal for taxes	150.00
11/1/2023		Deposit from gift	250.00
11/15/2023		Withdrawal for charity	50.00
12/1/2023		Deposit from lottery	100.00
12/15/2023		Withdrawal for vacation	300.00
1/1/2024		Deposit from new job	1500.00
1/15/2024		Withdrawal for housing	450.00
2/1/2024		Deposit from freelance work	300.00
2/15/2024		Withdrawal for food	120.00
3/1/2024		Deposit from royalties	180.00
3/15/2024		Withdrawal for clothing	80.00
4/1/2024		Deposit from stock sale	400.00
4/15/2024		Withdrawal for pet care	60.00
5/1/2024		Deposit from freelance work	250.00
5/15/2024		Withdrawal for entertainment	100.00
6/1/2024		Deposit from pension	220.00
6/15/2024		Withdrawal for insurance	130.00
7/1/2024		Deposit from bonus	350.00
7/15/2024		Withdrawal for travel	190.00
8/1/2024		Deposit from investment	160.00
8/15/2024		Withdrawal for maintenance	95.00
9/1/2024		Deposit from pension	210.00
9/15/2024		Withdrawal for healthcare	115.00
10/1/2024		Deposit from savings	110.00
10/15/2024		Withdrawal for education	210.00
11/1/2024		Deposit from inheritance	550.00
11/15/2024		Withdrawal for taxes	160.00
12/1/2024		Deposit from gift	280.00
12/15/2024		Withdrawal for charity	55.00
1/1/2025		Deposit from lottery	110.00
1/15/2025		Withdrawal for vacation	320.00

Total

2. The second part of the document provides a detailed breakdown of the financial data, including a summary of income and expenses for each month. It also includes a comparison of the current year's performance against the previous year's.

3. The third part of the document discusses the future outlook and potential risks associated with the current financial strategy.

4. The fourth part of the document provides a conclusion and recommendations for future actions.

5. The fifth part of the document provides a final summary and key takeaways.

6. The sixth part of the document provides a final summary and key takeaways.

7. The seventh part of the document provides a final summary and key takeaways.



## PADDLING POOL, RIDLEY PARK

Regular pH and Residual Chlorine tests proved satisfactory.

## MISCELLANEOUS - PART X - WATERCOURSES

### Proposed Marina - Seaton Sluice

At the request of the Borough Engineer for information on the purity of the Seaton Burn from the public health standpoint, a series of bacteriological and chemical samples were taken at both high and low water between the Seaton Sluice Bridge and the Old Stone Bridge, Old Hartley.

Discussions were held with Mr. Dyson, Chief Pollution Officer, Northumbrian River Authority and the Public Analyst, and copies of the results obtained were supplied for the information of the Borough Engineers for Blyth and Whitley Bay. The general consensus of opinion was that though the water was shown to be contaminated by decomposing organic matter, with evidence of pollution by sewage, which is only to be expected from an open watercourse of this nature, the waterway would be suitable for the purpose proposed, but that suitable warning notices should be permanently posted that the water is unsuitable for bathing or paddling.

Should this project proceed, the River Authority's Chief Engineer would require to be consulted in respect of any engineering works affecting the Seaton Burn.

### Tents, Vans and Sheds

The Council's South Newsham Caravan Site continued to be operated satisfactorily but, with the encroachment of land reclamation by the Meggies Burn Refuse Tip, arrangements are in hand by the Borough Engineer to transfer the facilities temporarily to a site adjacent the Links Road.

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1961

### Section 27 - Ruinous and Dilapidated Buildings and Neglected Sites

Excluding action taken under the Housing Act, 1957 for the demolition of unfit housing in Croft Ward, the following ruinous and dilapidated buildings and neglected sites were dealt with during the year :-

<u>Address</u>	<u>Action</u>
112, Bowes Street	Acquired by Council and secured.
15/16, Delaval Terrace	Acquired by Council and secured.
3, Thoroton Street	



<u>Address</u>	<u>Action</u>
10/12 Station Street	Acquired by Council and secured.
Farmway, 1/3, 5, Disraeli Street	Cleansed and secured by Owner.
84/6, Hambledon Street	Cleansed and secured by Owner.
8/10 Seaforth Street	Partially secured by Lessees.
34 Thompson Street	Cleansed and secured by Council in default.
Railway Station and Waiting Rooms, Pebside	Demolished by British Rail.
White Swan, Waterloo Road	In process of conversion to Leisure Centre.
13 Winship Street 6 Back Elliott Street, Newsham	In process of acquisition by Council.

Accumulations of refuse were also removed from various sites in the Borough, the cost of which is invariably borne by the ratepayers in the absence of information as to the persons responsible for the unauthorised dumping of rubbish.

#### CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960

The position at the end of 1970 was :-

Link House Gardens, Blyth (Holiday Site) Maximum 130 caravans.	Amended planning permission without limitation of time issued 15th June 1965. Site licence issued 17th June 1965.
Service Garage, Links Road.	..... Existing use site licence issued 15th November 1963. No caravans on site.
Old Pottery, South Newsham (Permanent Residential) Maximum Twenty caravans.	..... Renewal site licence to expire 31st December 1972; issued 9th December 1966.
	.....



Malvin's Close  
(Permanent Residential)  
Maximum eight caravans.

Renewal site licence to expire  
31st December 1972; issued  
15th December 1967.

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High House Farm,  
Bebside  
(One residential caravan)

Renewal site licence to expire  
30th April 1973; issued  
7th July 1970.

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South Newsham Road.  
(Holiday Site  
Maximum 108 caravans)

Planning permission issued  
28th September 1970.  
Site licence issued 16th October 1970.  
Site works in progress at end of year.

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### CIVIC AMENITIES ACT, 1967

#### Removal of Abandoned Vehicles

Action was taken in respect of thirteen abandoned vehicles, of which eleven were removed by the owners by the year end, the remaining two being removed prior to the preparation of this report.

### THE CLEAN AIR ACTS 1956 AND 1968

Prior approvals under Section 3(2), 1956 and Exemption under Section 4(2) of the 1968 Act were issued in respect of the undermentioned plants :-

#### Industrial and Commercial Furnaces

<u>Address</u>	<u>Type of Plant</u>
1. Calders and Grandidge Ltd., South Harbour, Blyth.	Cochran Chieftan Packaged Oil Fired Boiler. Output 6,750 lbs. steam per hour.
2. Magnatex Limited, Cowpen Trading Estate, Blyth.	7 No. Gas Fired Harris Heaters. 2 No. Gas Fired Potterton Boilers.
3. Help the Aged Housing Assoc. (1968) Limited, Plessey Road, Blyth.	2 No. Ideal Limited, Series 49 V Vanguard Oil Fired Boilers. Rating 450,000 Btu/hr. each.



<u>Address</u>	<u>Type of Plant</u>
4. Bebside Memorial Social Centre, Front Street, Bebside, Blyth.	1 No. Trianco Solid Fuel Boiler Anthracite or Coke. Rating 350,000 Btu/hr.
5. Brentford Nylons, Cowpen Road, Blyth.	English Electric Diesels Ltd. Clayton Steam Generator R.O.175 Rating 5,858,125 Btu/hr.
6. Draegar Normalair Ltd. Kitty Brewster Trading Estate, Blyth.	1 No. Gas Fired Warm Air Unit Rating 200,000 Btu/hr. 1 No. Gas Fired Warm Air Unit Rating 100,000 Btu/hr.

#### FACTORIES ACT, 1961

As with the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, only minimal attention was given during the year.

#### PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

Regular surveys and treatment of infested premises together with regular treatment of the Meggies Burn Tip and twice yearly test baiting of sewers was carried out by Mr. Wade. Details being shown overleaf.

A number of complaints of minor rat infestation occurred on the various new building sites which is not an unusual occurrence when natural habitats are disturbed. Upon investigation it was found in certain cases that sub-floor brickwork which had been left open during construction to permit gas, water and electric services to be installed, had not been in-filled on completion. A letter was forwarded to all contractors drawing their attention to this omission.







	No.	Baits Laid	Traps Laid	Ozs. Poison Bait Taken	No. of Bodies		Est. Kill Rats	No. of Visits
					Rats	Mice		
Dwellinghouses	96	418	2	198 $\frac{1}{2}$	4	35	15	223
Gardens	63	233	1	435	21	-	109	242
Allotments	3	11	-	44	4	-	11	12
Food Shops	8	67	-	30	-	3	4	22
Farms	2	11	-	52	3	-	14	8
Cafes	1	6	-	2	-	-	-	2
Schools	6	109	-	57	1	6	7	17
Licensed Premises	3	49	-	16	-	5	-	6
Business Premises	37	489	-	804	46	16	187	128
Council Properties	14	808	50 Holes Gassed	543	108	3	506	56
	233	2,201	3 50 Holes Gassed	2,181 $\frac{1}{2}$	187	68	853	716

In addition, the following surveys were carried out :-

Local Authority	-	25
Dwellinghouses	-	23
Agricultural Premises	-	10
Business Premises	-	74



AGRICULTURE (SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE PROVISIONS)  
ACT, 1956

Routine inspection was made, principally by Mr. Wade, during surveys and treatment of all farms and agricultural holdings in the Borough.

Total farms in Borough	18
Agricultural Holdings	4

GENERAL PUBLIC HEALTH MATTERS

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING (CHURCHES, PLACES OF RELIGIOUS  
WORSHIP AND BURIAL GROUNDS) REGULATIONS, 1950

EXHUMATIONS

Formal approval was received from the Secretary of State authorising the removal of human remains from the disused burial ground at St. Cuthbert's Roman Catholic Church, Cowpen Road, in order to carry out road widening.

Exhumation and re-interment commenced on 16 June and was completed on 19th June. The work being carried out under my supervision and in conformity with the requirements of the Home Office.

CODE OF SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR CHILDREN'S  
TOYS AND PLAYTHINGS.

Complaint was received from a resident of the Borough regarding the alleged dangerous condition of a baby's teething ring which consisted of a plastic ring with a metal chain to which five coloured plastic balls were attached. The day after purchase the mother noticed that one of the plastic balls was broken and that the baby's mouth was bleeding.

The offending article together with relevant details, were forwarded to the Home Office who discussed the problem with the manufacturer, who confirmed that they had recently thickened the plastic used and were considering a new and improved method of production.

PET ANIMALS ACT

Of the three licensed premises at the beginning of the year, one closed after proceedings under the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, one closed voluntarily, leaving one licensed pet shop at the end of the year.



### ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS

The sole animal boarding establishment at Furnace Road, Bebside, was re-licensed for the boarding of 15 dogs and 15 cats.

### RIDING ESTABLISHMENT ACTS, 1964 AND 1970

Following a Veterinary Surgeon's report a renewal licence was issued for the sole riding establishment at Wensleydale Allotments.

One application received for the establishment of a riding school based at 6, Brickyard Gardens, was refused following an adverse report by the Veterinary Surgeon.

### NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1961

The principal complaint was that of annoyance to patients of the Thomas Knight Memorial Hospital who were being affected by excessive road noise, particularly at night. This matter was dealt with by the Town Clerk's Department in conjunction with the Police.

### RAG, FLOCK AND FILLING MATERIALS ACT, 1951

There are no licensed or registered premises in the Borough, only one trader using filling material for re-conditioning purposes.

### ANIMAL DESTRUCTION

I am indebted to the Secretary of the R.S.P.C.A. for the following figures of animals humanely destroyed at the Albion Depot :-

Dogs	108
Cats	37
Miscellaneous	6



NO. OF INSPECTIONS MADE DURING 1970 :-

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936

	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>
Complaints - General.	765	
Dirty or verminous premises - L.A.	68	
"              "              "      - Private.	35	
Allotments.	5	
Drainage.	292	
Exhumations.	12	
Holiday Accommodation.	5	
Keeping of Animals.	2	
Destruction of Pigeons.	2	
Places of public entertainment.	1	
Public conveniences.	3	
Refuse tips.	3	
Watercourses.	10	
Water supplies.	3	
Spoilbanks; shale removal.	1	
Swimming Baths.	2	
Re-inspections re outstanding Notices.	616	
General.	279	
	<hr/> 2,104	2,104

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1961

Ruinous and dilapidated buildings (Section 27(1)).	121	
Neglected sites (Section 27(2))	28	
Demolition & Clearance of Sites (Section 29(5)).	52	
Accumulation of rubbish (Section 34)	26	
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C/F:	227	2,331





CARAVAN SITES & CONTROL OF  
DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960.

B/F: 2,331

Existing	2
Proposed - applications and Enquiries.	9
South Newsham Camp Site.	1

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12	2,343
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CIVIC AMENITIES ACT, 1967

Sites.	22
Vehicles.	43

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65	2,408
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CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

Plant inspection & prior approvals.	9
Smoke nuisances.	8

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17	2,425
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DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

Clean Air; Factories Act; Food & Drugs; O.S.R; Public Health.	29
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29	2,454
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FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Mechanical power.	15
No mechanical power.	4
Building and engineering operations.	5

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24	2,478
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INFECTIOUS DISEASES (NOTIFICATIONS) ACTS

Investigations, etc.	54
Food poisoning.	22

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C/F:	76	2,554
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	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>
B/F:		2,554
<u>NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960</u>		
Investigations.	2	
	2	2,556
<u>OFFICES, SHOPS &amp; R.P. ACT, 1963</u>		
Offices.	18	
Shops - Retail.	80	
Catering Establishments open to the public.	8	
Accident investigations.	8	
General.	81	
	195	2,751
<u>PESTS ACT, 1949</u>		
Council properties.	30	
Other properties.	23	
Allotments; Agric. Holdings.	3	
Refuse Tips.	21	
	77	2,828
<u>PET ANIMALS, BOARDING &amp; RIDING ESTABLISHMENTS</u>		
Inspections and Interviews.	4	
C/F:	4	2,832



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B/F:		2,832
<u>ADMINISTRATION</u>		
General Interviews, etc.	727	
	727	3,559
<u>HOUSING ACT, 1957</u>		
Applications & General Enquiries.	714	
Housing Survey.	1,085	
	1,799	5,358
<u>PART II - INDIVIDUAL UNFIT</u>		
Inspections; Repair and Undertakings.	219	
	219	5,577
<u>PART III - SLUM CLEARANCE</u>		
Clearance Areas - Survey.	35	
Clearance Areas- General Inspections and Visits.	88	
Redevelopment Areas.	4	
	127	5,704
<u>PART IV - OVERCROWDING</u>		
Investigations.	85	
	85	5,789
<u>HOUSING ACTS 1958 - 1964</u>		
Agricultural Dwellings.	14	
C/F:	14	5,803



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B/F:		5,803
<u>RENT ACT, 1968</u>		
Inspections and Enquiries.	3	
	<hr/> 3	5,806
<u>HOUSING ACT, 1964</u>		
Houses in Multiple Occupation.	1	
	<hr/> 1	5,807
<u>HOUSING ACT, 1969</u>		
Improvement Grants: Inspections and Enquiries.	495	
Qual. Certificates: Applications and Enquiries.	15	
	<hr/> 510	6,317
<u>FOOD &amp; DRUGS ACT, 1955</u>		
Abattoir - Meat Inspection.	544	
Bakehouses.	3	
Bakery & Confectionery.	12	
Butchers.	17	
Cafes and Restaurants.	8	
Canteens and Snack Bars.	8	
Food Manufacturing.	2	
General Dealers.	47	
Greengrocery.	2	
Grocery & Provisions.	12	
Ice-Cream.	5	
Licensed Premises (including Public Health)	19	
Markets, Stalls & Delivery Vehicle Regulations.	110	
Wet Fish.	2	
Examination of Unsound Food.	97	
General and Interviews.	73	
	<hr/> 961	7,278
C/F:		





	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>
B/F		7,278
<u>SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT, 1958</u>	8	
	8	7,286
<u>MILK AND DAIRIES ORDERS</u>		
Dairies and Equipment.	14	
	14	7,300
<u>SAMPLING</u>		
<u>Bacteriological</u>		
(a) Water.	79	
(b) Ice-cream.	8	
(c) Faeces.	16	
	103	7,403
<u>Chemical</u>		
(a) Water.	8	
	8	7,411
No. of Informal Notices Served.	114	
No. of Statutory Notices Served.	120	
No. of Houses & Buildings Treated for Eradication of Insect Pests.	378	
No. of Items of Furnishings, Bedding, etc. destroyed by request.	2,175	
Choked Drains Cleansed.	64	
Informal Notices Complied.	58	
Statutory Notices Complied.	82	
	2,991	10,402
<u>LAND CHARGES ACT, 1925</u>		
Searches.	684	
		11,086

